

# **EXHIBIT B**



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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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RE: *City of Chicago v. Jussie Smollett*, 19-CV-4547 (N.D. Ill.)

Dear Ms. Rodney:

This letter responds to your subpoena dated November 25, 2019, which seeks material related to the referenced civil matter.

After consulting with the United States Attorney's Office, the FBI's representative within the Department of Justice, we are unable to comply with your subpoena. Your subpoena would require the FBI to reveal information acquired as part of an ongoing criminal investigation. Disclosure at this time would reveal and impair the effectiveness of investigatory records and techniques compiled for law enforcement purposes. 28 C.F.R. § 16.26(b)(5). Moreover, to the extent the FBI possesses information that would have been obtained via the Grand Jury that would present an obstacle in complying with your subpoena. 28 C.F.R. § 16.26(1).

Sincerely,

/s/ David Habich

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